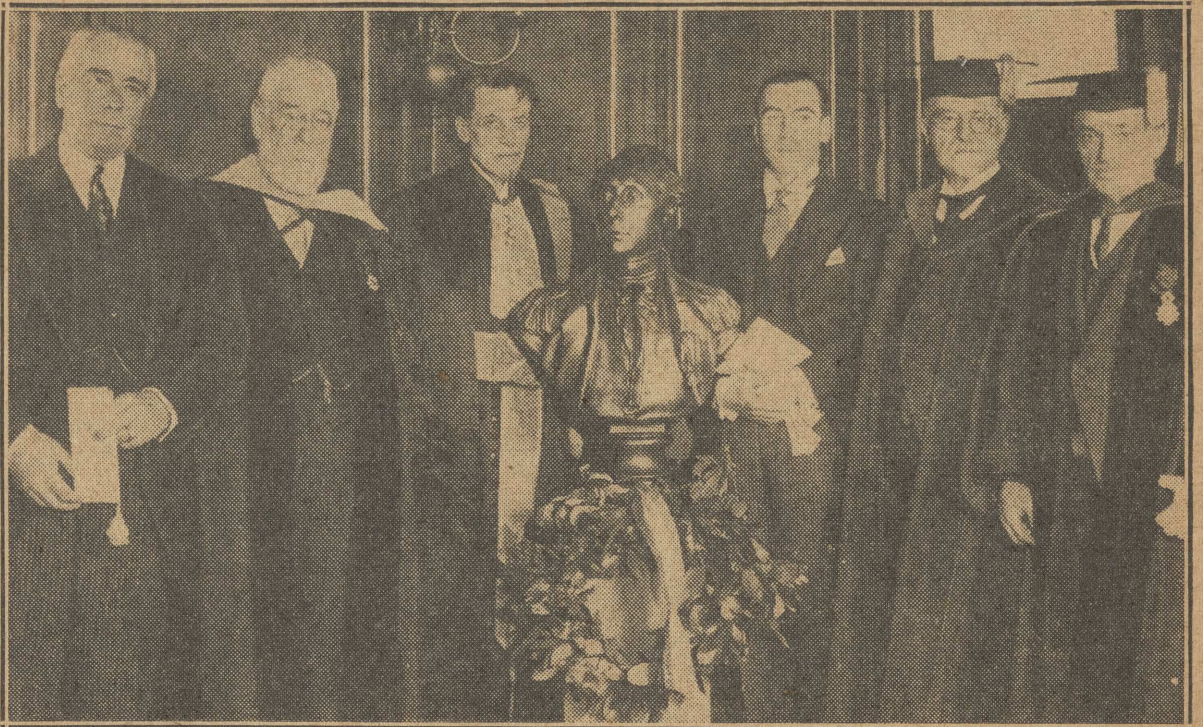


Honors Paid Lafayette at N. Y. U. Celebration



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Notables at dedication of a replica of Houdon's bust of Lafayette. From left to right are Samuel Seabury, Dr. Robert Underwood Johnson, M. Andre Chevrillon, Comte Rene de Chambrun, Dr. Elmer E. Brown and Dr. F. I. Kent

Lafayette Bust Is Added to Group In Hall of Fame

Franco-American Friendship Extolled at Washington Bicentennial Exercises

Friendship between France and the United States, as exemplified by George Washington and General Lafayette, was extolled yesterday at the Washington bicentennial celebration of the Hall of Fame, held in the auditorium of the Gould Memorial Library at New York University. Samuel Seabury and Agnes Repplier spoke. Dr. Robert Underwood Johnson read a poem, "The Sword of Lafayette," which he wrote at the time of the United States' entry into the World War, and Edwin Markham recited a poem written especially for the occasion, "Washington, the Nation Builder."

"It is natural as the great structure represented by the United States has been reared upon the mighty foundations which his genius did much to establish that Washington, the man, should have been idealized," Mr. Seabury said. "Notwithstanding this tendency, measured by the most realistic standards, Washington survives as the greatest figure of his age."

The life and teachings of Washington, Mr. Seabury said, "have become a great spiritual force which impels America forward along the pathway toward peace and justice."

Mr. Seabury received an ovation from the audience of 500 persons as he rose to speak and he was several times interrupted by long and sustained applause.

Miss Repplier's characterization of Washington as a soldier lacking "the hat-waving, sword-flourishing, white plume of Navarre business which the public loves" drew enthusiastic applause. She said he was a "statesman definitely lacking the hail fellow-well-met manner which covers a multitude of sins," and that, "silent, reserved, distinguished and discerning, he stood by what he knew to be right and he strove for what he believed to be attainable."

A copy of the Houdon bust of Lafayette, the original of which is in the Virginia State Capitol at Richmond, was unveiled by Dr. Johnson. It was presented anonymously. Count Rene de Chambrun, a descendant of Lafayette; Dr. Sebastien Charlety, president of the University of Paris, and Miss Juliette E. Washington, Miss Eleanor Lee Reading and George Lyttleton Upsher, representatives of the Washington family, were present as guests of honor. Edward Johnson, tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Company, sang the French and American national anthems.